

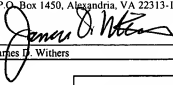


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Filed: July 24, 2003 Docket: 60073.0004US01
Title: METHODS OF TREATING AND CLEANING FIBERS, CARPET YARNS AND CARPETS

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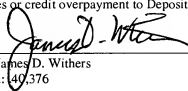
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each foreign patent document and non-patent literature listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

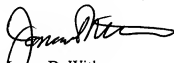
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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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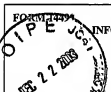
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	4,351,736	09/28/1982	Steinberger et al.			

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